

Hail Mary Full of Grace!

Dear Fr. Aloysius and Your Guardian Angel:

At the particular time you asked what my reasons were for not taking the new position of supervisor at work if ever asked and of course the time and reflection were not sufficient to recall them. Now as I try to meditate and open my heart to you along this line I will try to list them. First of all whatever you asked I will obey for this is the important thing. I am not trying to exert my own will but just give the reasons why I do not desire the supervisor's job if asked. As I mentioned at our visit my reason was humility and the task of freeing myself from giving orders. Rather would I love to serve ^{than} and to order. In my present position I am providing the family with a sufficient salary over and beyond this I have no particular yearning. It is better to have less than more. To enter upon this new field would require many things for example much study, much time, precious time spent in discussions with other supervisors and superiors in regard to matters of work, much time would be required of me in post office matters outside the regular working day, perhaps such as meetings etc., in short from that time on it would seem there would be required of me a continual drain of mental and perhaps even social efforts together with much time spent in meetings of labor discussions. Against this may I say I who am striving to leave the world with all its confusion and attractions when each moment to me is as precious as precious can be when each moment to me I want to consecrate in prayer, meditation and contemplation, thinking of the Goodness of the Good Saviour, The Most Holy and Undivided Trinity, The passion and death of Our Lord, Mary

Her joys, privileges, sorrows and how to place myself in Her
be

Perfect Mold that there I might reborn of Her in perfect

sanctity, yes, where I might not live but Mary liveth in me. Yes

all time I would like to quietly use according to the Will of

God growing ever closer and closer to Him and His Mother. The

things of the world are such a distraction, position, honor

and whatever form they may take and certainly seem to me to

detract from the love which would be otherwise given to God

and Mary. Like Blessed Anthony Claret once put that a candle

that remains near the fire will feel and surely melt at least

to some degree. It was not in these words but the thought is

there. At one time before I began to grow more in love with

God I had desired such a position but since have even looked

at it with disgust and great dread for surely though I offer

the sacrifice I might be cold and much of my customary contempl-

ation would be lost. Oh, precious time and how good God is

to give it to me may I use it in ever loving Him with my whole

heart and soul with all my mind and efforts. So little time

there is it cannot be wasted and oh, Mary, how good God was to

give Her to me that through Her, in Her with Her and for Her I

might do God's Will perfectly. Oh to know and Love God and Mary

and this is the reason why I want to use every moment and dread

the chance of perhaps entering a field which might take some of

that precious time which is to be allotted to God, to being a

Saint. I realize sacrifice is the greatest prayer and whatever is

asked of me I will do it. I felt I ought to mention these few

thoughts on so mighty a question which is more important than

a spur of the moment's decision. All for the greater honor and

glory of God through Mary.

May I mention that a couple weeks ago I wrote to the

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pastor of St Cecilia's Church where I and my family attend
the Mother of Sorrows novena every Friday night and asked
him to have the whole congregation pray that I and my whole
family and all of us may become Saints like Mary, that the
Holy Ghost may grant us permission to enter this Garden

Enclosed, this Perfect Mold, and there be reborn of Mary
in perfect sanctity, nurtured in the wisdom, the love, the
virtues and all the hidden secrets enclosed in this glorious
heaven shut off from the world where the Infant Child, the
Great and All Glorious God worked the greatest wonders and
left the treasures of Heaven. In asking this favor which
the pastor asked, if then is remembered in all the novenas
throughout the world I believe so what a great intercessory
power to obtain this grace. M I
ay

Rest Mary full of grace.

may I close this trying lengthy letter with God's boundless
graces and blessing sthrough Mary's overflowing Love.

Yours in Mary's Love,

Every Anke

Pray for me and mine and all of us. I do

Always for you.

Power to obtain this Grace. M

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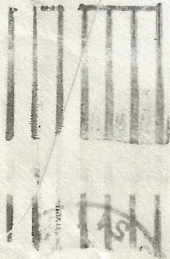
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Hail Mary and The Good Saviour!



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Our Lady of Guadalupe
Pecos, New Mexico

Aug 9, 1949

Rev Father,

Please may I join with you
in spirit in novena to Our Lady.

This is the life. Time to pray. Time
to be flooded over with abundance of
spiritual blessings and inspirations.

They have Our Lady of Guadalupe
over every door. You cant move or
even look around without giving Her
a big Salute.

How gracious, how courteous She was
with God. Allowing Him to do as He pleased
with Her. Now I wish to follow Her
counsel & be humble & quiet & to ponder,
and submit & be aware of His all presence
& ever prepared to His Holy Will according to
His secret designs.

How important we are; the least of us;
when we consider God, and that we can move
our minds & hearts to know His power & goodness,
His love, His wisdom, His gracious thoughtfulness
of His little ones.

I prayed so hard for time to think of
Him & pray to Him. And now I have Him all
to my self. Des Gratias.

O Leas, Please, pray the prayer of hard (over)

x put me in the Sacred Hearts of Jesus
x Mary x all my loved ones too.

Enclosed check for masses &
remembrances of my mother & brother.

Bridget O'Connor

+
John O'Connor.

I wish you all the love of the Sacred Hearts.

Humbly & obediently yours.

Tom O'Connor

P.S.

I will be here until the Assumption.

Tom

~~Tom~~ O'Connor

N.B.

I know how busy you are and
do not expect an answer. I am close
to you in spirit & hope you think & pray
for me always.

May God love you even more!

Tom O'Connor

J. M. J.

H. N. A.
Beverville, Ill.
Aug. 14, 1949.

My dear spiritual Father:

I am writing this during retreat as it will probably be a long time after before I can write. Since the spiritual enters in I'm sure God will excuse me.

as you perhaps know I am being transferred to Beverville as local superior - Will be installed 21st - eve of Feast of Holy Ghost of Mary - must leave my dear Father the 20th after 19 years. I assure you it is a big sacrifice. I'm writing specially to beg your holy prayers that I hold out. Believe me I have never known mental or physical exhaustion as now. It is most disheartening, but the weaker or more

helpless I become, the more
must He do, if only I could
be generous enough to let
Him do, instead of falling back
on self in self-pity, woe of
Faust and lethargy. I don't
know how I can bear to live
like this much longer, without
Him. But my faith tells me
He is closer now than ever
before. May He help me in
my helplessness. I am taking
for Pontifical Examen this:
To say at least 20 times per
day Jesus, Mary, Joseph, and
desire that each ejaculation
be an expression of my appeal
to them for help in my helples-
ness. I choose this ejacula-
tion because I am confiding
to the Holy Family my new
missions. When I took over

Our Lady Academy
Manteno, Illinois
August 14, 1949

Reverend Father Alayius
Los Angeles, California

My Father - Bless me -

Our retreat is coming to a close and the best I know to do is to write to one who has done so much to set me on the path to God and to keep me there - My long silence has not been dictated by indifference or ingratitude I assure you.

I hardly know how or where to begin so if you'll excuse me I'll just go on without much attempt at organizing - I ask the Holy Spirit to enable you to read my soul in the statements I make. I think you'll understand why I am unable to synthesize the whole.

I don't understand much of what God is working within me. Don't mistake me - I do not mean that there has been anything extraordinary unless it be His continued bestowal of His merciful love in spite of my continued coldness - It is astounding and none but a God as good as He would keep on lavishing it on me. But I am different

It sometimes puzzles me that I experience a peace so deep and constant - quiet - without any feeling of elation or excited enthusiasm - no fear of the past or even present sin - no surprise that sin and even deliberate sin still finds place in my life - I deplore these with all my soul and resolve over and over again to amend - but peace does not leave me even after repeated failures. Sometimes I get thinking that maybe I am resting on a false security. Pray that I don't.

Prayer is usually difficult and often or rather too often is slighted or omitted for some work - even when I realize ^{consequently} he has no need of any activity on my part. Distractions are numerous and poorly combatted. I confess this as through lack of recollection and the violation of the rule of silence either through natural loquacity or even human respect. One place of regular silence is the refectory and there is where I most frequently violate it. I renew my resolution to keep this rule again and again then gradually fall back into the same old failures.

Tomorrow I shall renew my private vow of "Charity" I have grown careless to some extent in this matter - I have failed to renew

it from time to time - at times when I was uncharitable in any way I failed to accuse it in confession or accusing it did not mention the attendant circumstance of the vow. In spite of all this I think I can tell you I am less uncharitable, less prone to judge my neighbor - less critical of people and circumstances - but I have been far too irritable and harsh in my dealings with others -

As to the matter of introspection - I think that is fairly under control. I must confess that I had little or no part in that as I made no headway when I struggled hardest against it. Sometimes I fear I have swung a little too far in the opposite direction -

I pray the Holy Spirit to let me know myself and to strengthen me to face that knowledge - Having been the recipient of so much merciful Love it fills me with shame and utter confusion not to be able to offer Him better service - and most of all to find myself denying Him the love and service He demands of me - Then I wonder why my work for souls remains so fruitless. I shouldn't - How can I expect to kindle the fire of Love in others with the dead embers of love from my own life? In spite of this from time to time He lets me see some of the result of my efforts in Him

Do you remember Willie Jefferson
a little colored lad you met at
our Mission when you visited just
before going away? He was eight
years old then. You spoke to him
quite some time. You told Sister
Adelaide to take good care of him,
that he would be something great
for God. He has been my special
protégé - four years ago he was
baptized. He expressed the desire, at
that time, to be a priest. He had
a most unfortunate seventh
and eighth grade - gave up the
idea altogether. Father Desmarais
told us not to talk to him about
it - but we kept on praying,
writing and giving them Catholic
periodicals - even Catholic comics
Treasure Chest - To make a long
story short he has made application
and been received in your prep
Seminary at Momence. His father
is putting on a good deal of
pressure to make him change but
I guess the Love of Christ will
conquer - Five of his brothers
and sisters, ages 5 to 12 have signified
their desire to be baptized.
Thanks for your prayers on Willie's

practice Fraternal Charity in a special way this year - so that will help me with my vow -

I am also renewing my consecration as Mary's Slave of Love today, feast of the Assumption. I must admit I've been a very poor slave and have failed to live up to my promises - Ask Our Lady to pardon me and to accept me once again

Another failure and that quite frequent has been in the matter of poverty - small things but too frequent - I have confessed this with real sorrow and with His grace I shall not fail again

I am still reading "De Cause de Self Abandonment" - Schuyver's "Gift of Ourselves" - De Montfort's True Devotion - I grew a little perturbed when our great master chafed on the devastating effect of a one-sided reading program - I submitted it to him and he heartily approved - This year I also read the Old Testament - I didn't like it - except for the prophecies and the psalms - Another book I read was Caryl Houselander's "Reed of God" I loved that - still Abandonment as practised by Mary, His Mother Please pray that like the Reed of God I may be emptied of sin, self and selflessness, I may submit to the cutting and piercing needed that through me He may sing of His Love and mercy for poor sinners - That He may do His work by

behalf. I beg you to keep on -

Back to my soul again - I do not find exterior submission too hard as a rule - but submission of judgment is sometimes a very different thing. I have tried not to give exterior evidence of this - I feel that this must be a source, not of disappointment, but of displeasure to God.

This naturally brings me to the root of my evil tendencies "intellectual pride" There I wonder just what my condition is - sometimes I think that possibly it is slowly dying down - but I don't know - I don't know how to combat it - and I fail to recognize its manifestations - but even in this, I feel no worry - no fear - I beg Him to take from me all that is displeasing to Him -

When you left you told me I would be a very long time without a spiritual director - so I have been and am, but so long as you pray for me and Mother Rose Mary is my Provincial - I'll be helped - After that well God Himself will - He does now - all I mean is I don't worry -

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RESOLVE: (Aug. 15, 1940.)

I renew with a firmer and deeper intent my resolve: "To do always the more perfect thing in a spirit of Absolute Faith, yielding myself fully to the inspirations of grace.

To effect this: I will be mindful of looking at all things with the Eyes of God, in His Light, with His viewpoint.

Sole Occupation: God, His views,
His Will, His glory.
Absolute self-forgetfulness and
self-abasement (Humility)

Aim: A Life of pure love of God, "the garment of grace".

A life of Identification with
Christ - another humanity in
whom He renews His life of grace
and the perfection of His ways.

Check-Up: Render an account of
endeavors, failures, causes
each week.

Abandonment to the Blessed Trinity,
in all that God may ordain or permit.

Often withdraw into the inner
sanctuary of my soul to consult and
commune with the hidden Triune God
Who dwells therein, entrusting myself
wholly to the Divine operations of
grace.

I pray Thee, O Sacred Heart of Jesus,
to be my strength in the Sacrament
of Thy Love, and I entrust myself to
Thee, that my life may be a "shining
light that increaseth unto the
perfect day" to the glory of the
Most Blessed Trinity in myself and
other souls.

I confide these resolutions and
plan of action to thee, Mary, my
Immaculate Mother! "Teach me purity,
humility and all the admirable
virtues which were the object of
complacency of the Adorable Trinity
in you".

GLORIA TRINITATI

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Retreat Resolve

The Blessed Trinity manifested a great complacency in the soul of Sister Mary of the Precious Blood, because of her fidelity to grace.

However our Lord did not express His desires concerning her espousals with Him before the end of this year (1941). Evidently He desires to be silent to further purify sister of the satisfaction of knowing as a preparation for this grace which He has promised.

Signed: Sr. M. Mediatrix

EXAMEN

Self-abasement before the Infinite Majesty of God. Acts of Faith, Hope and Love. Adoration - Supplication for light to know God and to see myself as He sees me.

Points for Examen: Root of evils -

Self-love, self-sufficiency, self-pity, self-indulgence, self-will, self-esteem, applause of men, self-complacency, self-preference.

Determine cause and strongest inclinations to evil--take measures to overcome, expose findings.

My life must be a constant self-immolation, a mystical blood-shedding, as it were, is it so?

Acts of sorrow, thanksgiving for favors received and victories won.

Renew offering of Great High Priest and Victim with self and other souls, desiring that my whole life, each action and victory thereof, be acts of love to be presented to Mary, and through her Immaculate Hands to be plunged into the "Chalice of Salvation" to be offered and consecrated for priestly and religious souls, especially those for whom I have particularly offered myself, those for whom I am in duty bound to pray, (esp. those who represent Him in my life) those whom I have promised to pray for and ought to pray for.

GLORIA TRINITATI

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Examen

Sunday August 22nd
2⁰⁰ p.m.

St. Mary's Hospital
R.R. 4th.

Dear Sister Aloysius:

I arrived at St. Mary's last night and into the arms of the warmest welcome I could ever receive. Sr. Imelda, Mother Mary Mercy, Mother M. St. Clair, have made me feel I have come home. I was inclined to be a bit tired, but they soon banished that. Dear Sister Imelda was detailed to look after me, and how well she has done her task is reflected in comfort I have had mentally and physically since I arrived.

This morning after Mass with Sister Imelda, (at 8³⁰ because

Mrs. Mercy knew I was tired after
an exhausting bus trip and insisted
I be allowed to sleep (oh) at St. Rose,
I had a physical and I suspect,
psychological examination by Dr.
Schipper, and a chest X-Ray etc.

Now I'm exercising the permission
given me to write you dear Father &
then at 5⁰⁰ pm I go to Beaverille.
To try to convey to you Father, by
means of words, just a fraction of the
joy I have at being here and the
gratitude I have for your prayers
and efforts which resulted in me
being here - is impossible.

I shall be happy here and, ^{as} you
said many times I shall grow in
grace. - it is in the atmosphere
around me; in the quiet peace & happiness
radiating in the faces of all the Sisters
I have met.

I gave your messages to the Sisters you mentioned, they speak so much of you & how much you mean to them - I'm proud & happy and grateful beyond words to join that group and know myself to be a spiritual daughter of your dear Father.

Please continue my spiritual guidance and grant me a continued place in your prayers. I shall write as often as I am permitted. I forgot to say Jean wrote me - a letter was waiting for me at the Holy Ghost Convent in Jackson Mississippi when I arrived there. I do hope you will find a minute in which to write me. Prayerfully yours
Mary.

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August 21, 1949

Dear Father Flanagan,

I did so want to return to California but obedience has placed me in Chicago. During the summer I prayed over this matter and made repeated acts of resignation. There were, however, contrary to my natural inclination, they were merely "will acts." Complete resignation was not mine until the end of retreat.

Your last note has been read and re-read many, many times and I don't dare to imagine what the summer weeks would have been without them, so greatly did they help me.

Aside from my three classes the vacation was

rather quiet and peaceful as I spent the greater part
of my time alone, resting and praying.

Our Lord blessed us with a very holy retreat
master. I was quite taken with his spirit of
mortification. The meditations and conference were
deep as he was definitely a man of prayer and in
close union with Our Lord.

Father, without doubt, Our Lord is taking my
soul by "leaps and bounds". It would not be
possible to describe adequately the love I have
experienced since the middle of retreat. Our Lord
seems to have caught me up in His arms and
there held me as a loving husband would his
bride. He has flooded my soul with a love that
has lasted now for almost two weeks.

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I feel that in some new and strange way I became His bride during retreat. This thought and feeling persists throughout the day and I find myself, lovingly conscious of His Presence, doing ever the smallest action just to please Him and in every way trying to make myself more and more attractive to Him by displaying sweetness and gentleness in all I say and do.

To ask Him, please Father, not to leave me. After this, I think I could not bear to be without Him. Nothing else seems to matter now. I am resigned to remain here, to be away from my family and even you, so long as I may hear from you.

His love is the force driving me on. I must go all the way!

Continue to help me, Father, as you have done in the past and I shall follow all of your advice, to the letter. What does He want of me? What is He asking? I feel so helpless and yet, I must satisfy His every desire. I can't fall short again! Speak to Him in your heart, and ask Him, please, to continue to direct me through you.

The peace that His love brings is worth anything. Why was I ever so foolish as to try to find love elsewhere?

Perhaps all this would seem ridiculous to many but you told me to write everything and I know that you will understand.

Father Charles Rose from Indianapolis came to

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Saint Marys for the Canonical Visitation this summer. I took advantage of the opportunity and spoke with him about writing to you. He told me that it is permissible and advised me to refer the matter to him if my superiors refuse me the permission. Father Fox suggested that both you and I include our letters in a second envelope marked "conscience matter." He felt that this would insure greater privacy.

The Superior I have here seems to be a very spiritual person. She is much older than I, very quiet, gentle and kind. I think I am going to like her.

We have little contact with seculars. For this I am grateful as I hope ^{to} spend as much time as possible alone, or rather, with the Blessed Sacrament.

Three weeks ago a letter came from Alvin and he tells me he is returning to the Novitiate in October. I'm so glad. Every day I pray for him and ask God to make him a good and useful Claretian.

Please may I hope for a letter from you sometime in the near future? I am anxiously looking forward to some message from him, through you. Whatever He wants, I will do.

Pray for me, Father, pray much for me. Lb. will take your prayers to get me to the top. So much has been done and yet, there is so much more to do. I'm depending on you. Devotedly in the Sacred Heart,
P.S. My superior has just told me that she will not read your letter or mine.
Sister Mary Virginia.

Monday afternoon, August 22, 1949

Rev. and dear Father,

Enclosed you will find a new list of our Guild members for your reference. I had a feeling as if you would like to know who is coming to the day of Recollection. Of the following ladies we are certain of

their coming:	Alta Flocca	-	Celeste Sabel
	Mary Fisher	-	Maria Roth
	Catherine Williams	-	& her friend Miss Cataloma
	Gloria Romero	-	Emma Roth
	Teresa Sprague	-	Margaret Fling
	Mrs. Jane Kelly	&	her friend a nurse
	Irene Kramer	-	Mrs. De Lille
	Lucille Staley	-	Helen Steinbroner
	Catherine Dunn	-	Jenny Haider
	Mrs. Puetz	&	Alberta Puetz
	Mrs. Smith	&	Mrs. O'Day
	Mrs. Meehleis		Mrs. Evans

we hope Mrs. Rose can come.

Of the following we are not certain: Dolores Arnold

Josephine Gomoll

A friend of mine may come; she is the mother of 5 children and I know she would appreciate your prayers for her family. Her husband is not a catholic.

I can hardly wait until Wednesday, because I feel that that day will be a milestone in my sanctification; and I am sure that all the rest of the ladies feel the same way.

It will be wonderful to be able to speak a few words with you either in the confessional or personal. I have missed that so much lately. Yours was the only direction I ever had, and it lasted such a short time. Of course I don't feel altogether deserted, since I can write to you. But sometimes I get a little mixed up and it would help me so much, if I could talk with you about the spiritual life. I know this: I am not the same person any more, that I was 2 years or even one year ago. My family even notices this. But I feel that I have only begun and I must so much more. The mass and Holy Communion have an altogether different meaning for me, and lately I have such a great love for the Blessed Mother, that I have a real longing to be near her, almost like I feel for our Lord. I feel so close to her when I say the Rosary. I feel as though I was living the Mysteries with her, especially at the Birth of our Saviour. The sorrowful mysteries touch me so much, that it sometimes affects my heart. But I can not say my rosary anymore without really meditating on those precious mysteries. I used to want to go to heaven to be united with Our Lord, but just in the last few weeks, I have a longing to get there, to be able to see The Blessed Mother and be with her. Sometimes I feel her very close to me, and it is a real thrill, or rather a very sweet consolation.

But there are many times when I feel nothing at all. When I am physically very tired. I have not been feeling so good again in the last few weeks. But this gives me an excellent chance to suffer

something in reparation for my sins and the sins of the world;also for the many intentions you have and our Guild.

I know I will never will be very well,and sometimes that make me almost happy,because I would be a little afraid that Our Lord has forgotten me.

Father I have an overwhelming desire to become a saint,not for my own satisfaction alone,but because I love God so much,and because he has given me the opportunity.I must never let him down.Ofcourse I know that God will in this way increase my love for him and also love me in return. O how wonderful that will be.Please help me get there fast !! I will do anything you say.----If I could only inspire my children with this great love for God and his Holy Mother.That is a real cross for me to see them so very indifferent . Last week I almost felt guilty,because I let it hurt me so much.I don't think Our Lord liked that.I guess I should have more confidence in his mercy and in the intercession of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. I will try very hard.

Father may I please remind you that you want to enroll some of the ladies in the Scapular of the Immaculate Heart of Mary next wednesday ?

I will pray veryhard for the success of your Day of Recollection. Thanking you veryheartily for everything I Remain your obedient daughter, through the Immaculate Heart of Mary:

María Roth

J. M. J.

SISTERS OF THE HOLY CROSS

822 South Van Ness Avenue
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

August 26, 1949

Rev. Father Aloysius,
Dear Father,

May the Way of the Cross be
your way, its truth your truth, its
life your life.

Sister Noel told me about
you and of the great confidence she
has in your prayers and I am
hoping, dear Father, that you would
be so good as to include all my
family, friends and myself in
your Charity. I promise not to
forget you either.

Also would you please offer
or have offered a Sung Mass
in Thanksgiving to the Most Holy
Trinity for all the graces and

Blessings bestowed upon us. I
am just concluding a wonderful
visit to my family and I expect
to return to Salt Lake on Sunday
evening.

I know our Lord loves you
and I wish you would ask Him
to give me more confidence so
that I wouldn't worry over things.

May our Blessed Mother
make you just like Her Dear
Divine Son Jesus.

Please pray for all of us,
Dear Father Aloysius.

God Bless You, Sincerely,
Your Sister in the Holy Cross,
Sister Mary of the Passion,
Saint Mary-of-the-Watch
Salt Lake 5,
Utah.

Fest of the Transfiguring of
the Heart of our Holy Mother
St. Irene. Aug. 27th

Pop Christi!

My Father in Christ:

This is not an S.O.S. like my letter before the
Fest of Corpus Christi, but I have a little problem.
This time again I am not directly involved. If it were
myself alone I would mostly likely keep silence &
hope for the best, but in the past when I did
that when others were concerned, I found it was
not the better way - I should ask advice. So here
I am.

It concerns the foundation. We have been trying
to get things ready, so as to avoid too much rush
when the permission comes. Rev. Mother asked for a
few things from some of the officers, & as it happened,
the librarian offered to collect some books (those
given to the Sisters who are going to go). No doubt because
of some misunderstanding, a couple began to complain
then a third voiced the complaints to Rev. Mother
in front of myself & another. The three of us (who are
going) were dumbfounded, & honestly it hurt. They
thought we were taking too much. Then & there
Rev. Mother decided to give back all articles to the
different officers and take nothing without paying
for it. The rest of us agreed - preferring that rather
than give cause for complaint. I myself was
almost elated as I have wanted to go on a founda-
tion principally in order to live in real poverty & up
to this time my hopes for that had been fading.
Now however it is evident that some are urging
Rev. Mother to take some of the things & not to
act as she is (that is - with such determination to
take nothing)... Now, Father, what I want to know is